

As a former technology Teacher with my FOCUS ON EDUCATION-ALWAYS ON EDUCATION FIRST-The E-Rate program has been a phenomenal success in bringing Internet access to almost every classroom in America. In the last funding cycle, applications from schools and libraries requested a total of more than \$5 billion—twice the amount of available funding. I respectfully urge the FCC to increase funding for the E-Rate program to at least \$5 billion to meet this demand. All students need access to high-speed broadband. Our nation's future depends on their success. Currently, I work as a graduate school tutor, and again use the Internet. Truly, there is a need for high-speed Internet and the need will INCREASE!